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Attorney Docket No. 020463-000410US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Paul Danton Huish *et al.*

Application No.: 10/737,102

Filed: December 15, 2003

For: DETERGENT COMPOSITIONS  
CONTAINING ALPHA-SULFOFATTY  
ACID ESTERS AND METHODS OF  
MAKING AND USING THE SAME

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98**

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Dear Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B are being called to the attention of the Examiner. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of references AA-AR, AY, and AZ-BG can be found in parent Application No. 09/574,996, filed May 19, 2000, now Patent No. 6,683,039, issued on January 27, 2004 (Attorney Docket No. 020463-000400US). Copies of references AS-AX and BH-BO are enclosed.

Applicants would like to bring to the attention of the Examiner the following related, now issued patent applications, which are commonly assigned with this application:

<b>Inventor(s)</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Filing Date</b>	<b>Atty. Docket No.</b>	<b>Cite No.</b>
	<b>Patent No.</b>	<b>Issue Date</b>		
P. Huish, et al.	09/574,764	05/19/2000	020463-000100US	AS
	6,534,464	03/18/2003		
P. Huish, et al.	09/578,248	05/24/2000	020463-000200US	AU
	6,468,956	10/22/2002		
P. Huish, et al.	09/585,684	06/01/2000	020463-000300US	AV
	6,509,310	01/21/2003		
P. Huish, et al.	09/481,815	01/11/2000	020463-000900US	AT
	6,407,050	01/18/2002		
P. Huish, et al.	09/195,785	1/19/1998	020463-001100US	AR
	6,057,280	05/02/2000		

The following related, co-pending applications, which are commonly assigned with this application, are also being called to the attention of the Examiner:

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P. Huish, et al.	09/704,256	11/01/2000	020463-000110US	AW
P. Huish, et al.	09/677,271	10/02/2000	020463-000600US	AX

It is respectfully requested that the cited references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Finally, Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the following related, co-pending applications and a related issued patent, commonly assigned with this application, copies of which are not submitted because they are believed to be cumulative of the issued patents referenced above:

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Atty. Docket No.</u>
10/278,161 (Continuation of Appl. No. 09/578,248, Patent No. 6,468,956, Atty. Docket. No. 020463-000200US)	10/21/2002	020463-000210US
10/174,541 (Continuation of Appl. No. 09/481,815, Patent No. 6,407,050, Atty. Docket No. 020463-000900US)	06/18/2002	020463-000910US

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Atty. Docket No.</u>
6,288,020 (Continuation of Appl. No. 09/195,785, Patent No. 6,057,280, Atty. Docket. No. 020463-001100US)	09/11/2001	020463-001110US

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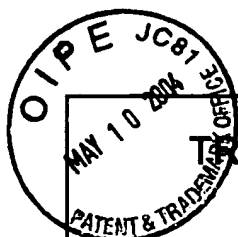
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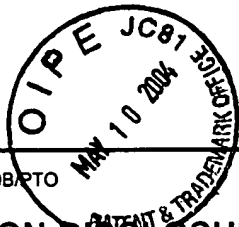
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